

Rāpare 9 Oketopa /Thursday 9 October 2025

Kia Ora Tatou

I hope you have all managed a worthwhile holiday break and are ready for another busy last term of the year.

We have welcomed eight new students this term bringing the total roll to 535. We wish them and their families a happy and successful transition.

In September five Hauraki staff members spent four days on a Reggio Study Tour in Melbourne visiting five different schools and undergoing professional learning. This experience was motivating, affirming, and strengthened teacher knowledge of the Reggio philosophy, a child centred approach we embrace as one of our models of learning based on the image of the child. Adults see tamariki, not as vessels to be filled up, but as already full of potential and active in constructing their own knowledge through interactions with others. The teacher's role is as a researcher and partner while trying to understand as fully as possible the child's viewpoint and abilities as they guide learning by considering what has gone before, arranging new experiences and challenges, facilitating discussions and development of new ideas, careful observation and listening. This way of being with children has potential to thread through all curricula. We look forward to sharing inspirational examples of learning seen in Melbourne with other staff and implementing in our classrooms.

E-SAFETY PARENT EVENING - THURSDAY 16TH OCTOBER 7PM

Next **Thursday 16th October**, we will be hosting an E-Safety evening at 7pm in the hall led by our ICT lead, Gaea Ladley with support from other experts in the field.

It will be centred around our children at Hauraki and we will discuss the big question: How can we protect children in an ever changing online world? We will offer a broad understanding of risks facing our children, and learn practical ways to help guide them in an online world.

A reminder, this is **NOT an event for children**, as we will cover many topics like inappropriate content online.

It is suitable for parents with children of **ALL AGES**.

There will be refreshments available from the PTA.

Please come along, we look forward to seeing you there.

TEACHERS' STRIKE DAY – THURSDAY 23 OCTOBER

Please note that because of the high number of teachers who will be striking that day, we will need to close the school for instruction, however depending on numbers we may be able to remain open for supervision only for those who need it. You must email me principal@hauraki.school.nz by no later than Friday 17 October if you intend sending your tamariki to school that day otherwise we will assume they are not coming. Then, based on numbers, we will advise all parents whether the school can remain open.

KEY DATES

Friday 10 October

Bike testing

Monday 13 October 6pm

Board of Trustees meeting

Tuesday 14 October 7pm

PTA meeting in school staffroom

Wednesday 15 October 7pm

Mufti Day for all students in exchange for gold coin

Thursday 16 October 7pm

E-Safety meeting in school hall – all parents welcome

Thursday 23 October

Teacher Strike day

Friday 24 October

Teacher Only Day - school closed

Wednesday 28 October Scooter testing



Juniors navigating robots



Year 6's completing work on their devices

YEAR 5 PARENTS BYOD 2026

From next year, our year 6 BYOD programme will move to Chromebooks only. This decision has been made for several reasons, including student safety at school, compatibility with our monitoring software, and overall ease of use for learners.

We will be holding parent information sessions on **Thursday, 30th October** at 8:30 am and 3:00 pm. These sessions take place ahead of Black Friday sales to give families the opportunity to find good deals if purchasing a device. We encourage all year 5 parents to attend and bring along any questions

TROPHIES AND CUPS

If you have one of these from last year or know someone who does, please can these be returned shortly as they need to be engraved for the 2025 end of year prizegiving. Many thanks.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS

Last order for the year! These books make great Christmas presents.

You can order online or with cash. If paying cash, put the <u>correct money</u> in an envelope or Ziplock bag <u>with the order form</u> and place it in the box in the office foyer. Make sure the form has the <u>child's name</u> and <u>room number</u>. If you would like to keep the order a secret from your child, you can put the office as the room number. Orders will close on **Wednesday, 22nd October**.

MUFTI DAY

Next **Wednesday 15 October** South house leaders are planning a fund raising day to buy a new park bench for outside the library. All children are able to wear mufti that day in exchange for a gold coin donation.

Money should be given to the class teacher on arrival at school. Thank you in advance for your support with this.

SPORTS UNIFORMS

Please can all sports uniforms that are finished with for the year (hockey, netball, rugby, dark green t-shirts, black shorts) be returned immediately please. This is important so that we have enough uniforms for all of next year's sports teams. Many thanks for your cooperation with this.





HAURAKI STUDENT SHINES!

Congratulations to Elsie Wilson who competed in the N.Z. Nationals Artistic Swimming Competition held in Wellington during the holidays. She worked hard as part of the Dolphin Combo team and achieved personal bests at the competition.



Nga mihi

Clarinda Franklin

Principal



COMMUNITY NOTICES

HARBOUR FUTSAL SCHOOLS LEAGUE - TERM 4

Year 1 - 6

New leagues each term

Match day: Sunday afternoons

Dates: 12th oct - 7th Dec (no games 6th oct - lab.)
Venue: NNH arena, 44 Northcote Rd, Northcote

Info & registration here: www.harbourfutsal.org

It would be amazing to see some **Hauraki School Futsal**

teams enter next term's competition!!









Hauraki School

5 weekly sessions

Starts: Tuesday 4th Nov
Time: 3.10 - 3.55pm
Venue: School Field
Cost: \$79 per child

\$39.50 per extra sibling

Register on enrolmy.com/msports-northshore



M-sports-footykids.org.nz











